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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: INSURGENT ACTIVITIES IN THE OGADEN

REF: (A) ADDIS ABABA 4454 AND (B) ADDIS ABABA 4418

1. ETHIOPIAN EMBASSY OFFICER TOLD EMBOFF DURING DISCUSSIONS ON JULY 21 AND JULY 22 THAT QUANTITY OF M-16'S, 60 MM MORTARS AND ROCKET LAUNCHERS, ALL OF AMERICAN ORIGIN, WERE CAPTURED BY THE ETHIOPIANS DURING FIGHTING NEAR KEBRI DEHAR. HE ADVISED THAT EQUIPMENT WOULD BE SENT TO ADDIS ABABA FOR EVENTUAL DISPLAY TO DIPLOMATS.

2. ETHIOPIAN CLAIMED THAT SEVERAL IRAQI MILITARY ADVISORS WERE KILLED IN FIGHTING NEAR DIRE DAWA. HE ALSO ASSERTED THAT SOMALI FORCES WERE ROUTED AT DIRE DAWA AND THAT SEVERAL REGULAR SOMALI OFFICERS INCLUDING LT COLONELS WERE KILLED IN CONFLICT IN OGADEN. ACCORDING TO DIPLOMAT, SOMALI REGULAR ARMY UNITS ARE FIGHTING IN THE OGADEN. ETHIOPIAN EMBASSY IN MOGADISCIO HAS REPORTS THAT SEVERAL THOUSAND
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(PERHAPS AS MANY AS 4,000) SOMALI GUERRILLAS AND REGULARS HAVE BEEN KILLED DURING THE LAST COUPLE WEEKS OF FIGHTING NEAR GODE AND IN HARAR AND DIRE SAWA AREAS.

3. COMMENT: WE HAVE NO OTHER REPORTING TO SUBSTANTIATE ETHIOPIAN DIPLOMAT'S CLAIMS OF AMERICAN ARMS OR ARAB MILITARY ADVISORS IN THE OGADEN. HOWEVER, WE DO HAVE FRAGMENTARY REPORTING THAT

WESTERN SOMALI LIBERATION FRONT HAS SUFFERED HEAVY LOSSES IN
LAST FEW DAYS. ALSO WE HAVE REPORTING THAT SOMALI GOVERNMENT'S
ACCOUNT OF DIRE DAWA FIGHTING VASTLY DISTORTED.
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